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This is a request for a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(d) (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 08/386,813 filed on February 8, 1995 entitled TUBING USED FOR ENCASING FOOD PRODUCTS AND A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE TUBING.

## **NOTES**

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b) or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request 37 CFR 1 78(a)

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1.	[ ]	] Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisi	onal application
2.	[X]	A preliminary amendment is enclosed.	
3.	[]	This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.	53(d)(4).
		<ul> <li>a. [ ] DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisonal application:</li> <li>b. [ ] The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.</li> </ul>	
4.	[X]	A new power of attorney for authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.	
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- a. [] A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. [X] A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. [ ] is no longer claimed.
- 7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2135.
  - a. [X] Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
  - b. [X] Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
  - c. [] Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18
- 8. [X] A check in the amount of \$1,050.00 is enclosed which includes the four-month extension of time fees.
- 9. [X] Other: Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate).

NOTE: The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA UNLESS a new correspondence address is provided below.

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